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Student Center Update

Chris Williams-Morales '17
Copy Editor

At long last, a student center is coming to campus in the next couple of years. That being said, questions have arisen. The main question was “when are we going to actually get one?” The answer to that question, at the moment, is the fall of 2017.

The idea has been three to four years in the making. After speaking with Glenn Culley, Vice President for Business Affairs and Finance, I learned that for the Student Center to be made, Eggleston will be torn down

in the winter months. While that decision was not an easy one, Culley explained that an “exhaustive review” was done for the old library. Not only is the building structurally unsafe, but architects also came to the conclusion that Eggleston’s layout could not serve for an inviting and open place like the Student Center. As Dean of Students David Klein said, “We want to invite people into that building.” Dean Klein explained the intent for the entirety of the Office of Student Affairs to move over to the new student center from Blake A. The post office, Career Edu-

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Exclusive 1-on-1 with Dr. Howard



President Howard (second to left) is leaving in February. Photo Credit: hsc.edu

Max Dash '18
Multimedia Editor

Last week, I sat down with President Howard to discuss his decision to leave Hampden-Sydney and become the eighth president of Robert Morris University.

MAXDASH: I think the first thing students want to know is why now?

PRESIDENT HOWARD: Well, my plan when I came here was to stay 5-10 years—that was kind of the goal with the board—and we’re kind of

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Counseling Services Expanding Under New Director

Dalton Hall '19
Guest Writer

It isn’t that hard to walk by the new Counseling Center and not give it a second glance—sandwiched between the Student Health Center and Chi Phi, aside from its signpost it looks both unassuming and inconspicuous. Perhaps *inconspicuous* isn’t the right word; *unpretentious* might be more suitable, considering the friendliness and familiarity I encountered there. Walking in on a cold, rainy, windy Friday, I was very pleasantly surprised to encounter a warm, quiet, very inviting space—unlike other places of similar nature I have visited, this was something

minimalist but comfortable, all leather sofas and plush rugs, and a sense of calm and quietude pervaded, inviting contemplation and introspection.

I had the distinct pleasure of being able to speak with Annie Jones, Hampden-Sydney’s new Director of the Wellness Center, on this occasion. We sat in her office and chatted for a while about the expansion of the Wellness Center; I was very much surprised at what she had to share with me.

As any returning student will tell you, the Wellness Center used to be a single building—expanded over the summer, it used to be one space serving two very different but important purposes. Under the old system, a student would enter and describe for the receptionist (also a very warm and inviting woman) what services were

required for that visit; before the expansion, “if you were coming in for a counseling appointment, then you’re walking into that space [the waiting room] where there may or may not be other students sitting, and you’d say [with a whisper] ‘I’m here to see Ms. Hammock,’ or ‘Shawn White,’” Jones said. “So one of the things I think we’ve been able to provide now is a sense of welcoming when you walk in that door, and so you come in and there’s no weird stigma when you come in the door.” She went on to expound on the improved privacy of the new space, noting that it is a place where students could come for counseling services and not feel ashamed for admitting it in front of their peers. “Very intentionally, we have created spaces that provide

more confidentiality for our students.”

She then went on to describe the much-interconnected network of mental health professionals that the Wellness Center works with to provide the Counseling Center with high-quality care—namely Crossroads Services, a mental health services center located in Farmville. There are also a number of other counseling offices and avail-

able counselors in town, which prefer their services to the Counseling Center in the event of demand that exceeds on-campus capacity. There are also a number of contracted, specialized individuals that come in on certain days of the week to offer their expertise, including Dr. Ainsworth Lightbody and Nurse Practitioner

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The Counseling Center, formerly the Spanish House. Photo Credit: Dalton Hall

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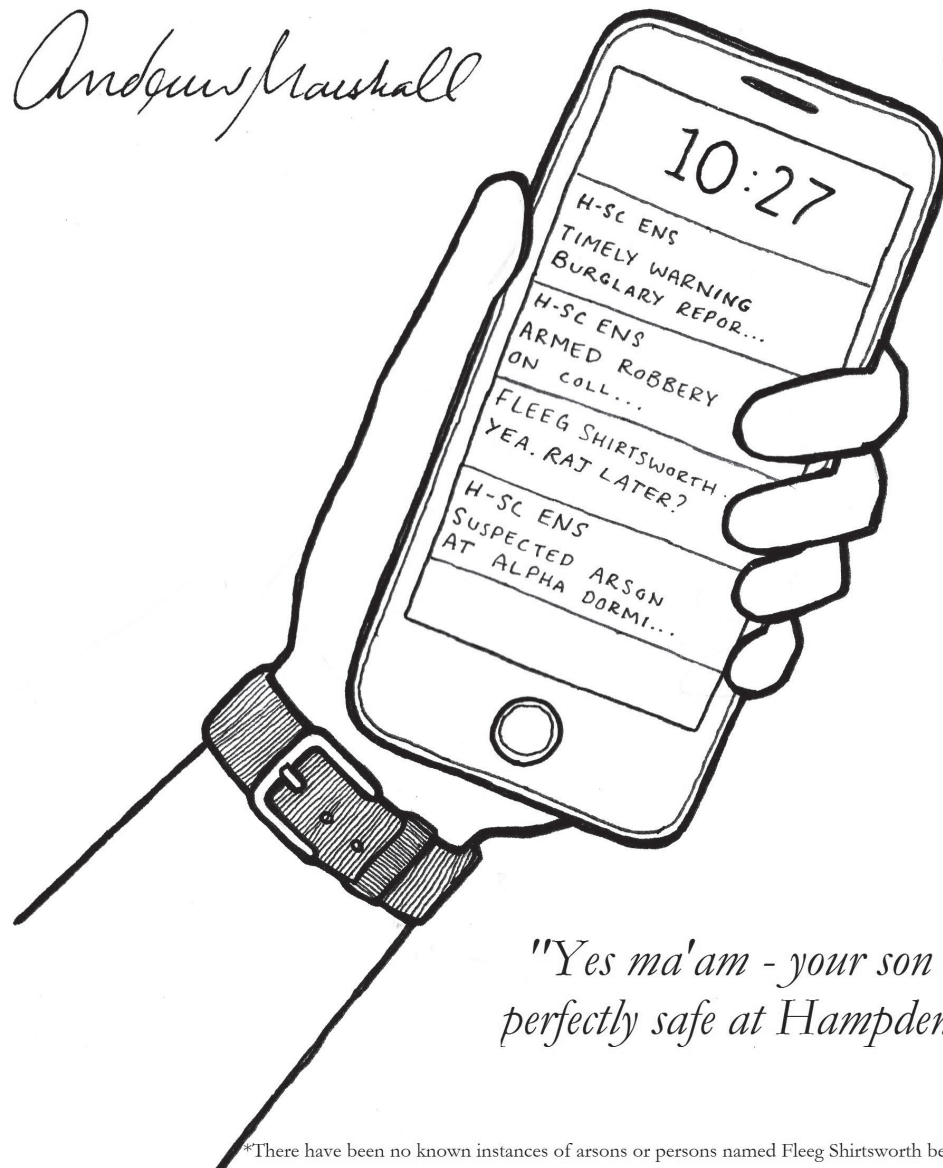
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The staff of *The Hampden Sydney Tiger* would like to extend their heartfelt congratulations to Dr. Nick Deifel and Dr. Rebecca Jayne as they welcome their son Maxwell Henry into the world. Maxwell was born on the morning of Tuesday, September 29th. Congratulations, and we're so glad to have you on campus!



OPINION

Taylor Talk Returns

Taylor Anctil '16 & Josh Taylor '16
Guest Contributors

Sincere thank-you's to all the students and faculty that submitted questions over the last few weeks, making this column possible. We have reproduced a selection of your questions exactly as we have received them, though we have removed some information for anonymity and brevity.

Q: "What kind of column title is "Taylor Talk?" I was a big fan of "Agony Uncle", which was a charming reference to British advice columns. "Taylor Talk" sounds like a VH-1 talk show for Taylor Swift."

A: Notwithstanding the flattering comparison to Ms. Swift, we feel obliged to tell you that we originally pitched this column to our editor with the title "VH1 Presents: Taylor Talk." (Editor's Note: This is not true.) Still, we would be happy to hear creative, productive suggestions for alternate titles.

Q: "I love Hampden-Sydney, but I'm homesick – and I'm out of state, so going home any given weekend is out. I call home regularly, and keep in touch with my friends, but what's the best way to beat the missing-home blues?"

A: We are sympathetic to your

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Pick Your Teeth!

Vladimir Paraschiv '19
Guest Writer

Go around campus and ask students what they would like to see in the Commons in addition to the mints and you will tend to get one main response: toothpicks. This may not seem like the most important thing; however, after you eat some meat you will agree on the need for toothpicks.

I appreciate the mints that we can grab after a meal as much as the next person, but just because your breath smells minty fresh doesn't mean people won't notice the food in your teeth. Most restaurants from Olive Garden to upscale restaurants such as Ruth's Chris to all-you-can-eat buffets like Golden Corral have toothpicks, so why doesn't Pannill Commons? We don't want to go around picking our teeth with our nails or simply not doing anything about the piece of meat stuck from a past meal.

Imagine, if you will, you just ate dinner and you are off to read a speech for Union Philanthropic Literary Society (UPLS) and you have a piece of chicken in your teeth. A little embarrassing, I would say, if you read your speech with it fully visible. You could argue that one could go

brush their teeth to fix that problem but people don't always have time to brush their teeth after every meal; besides, we have mints, so shouldn't we have a way to clean our teeth too?

Understandably, not everyone eats meat. That doesn't mean that not everyone needs toothpicks. I know that I have had spinach, salad, and other vegetables stuck in my teeth and so even our vegetarian students would benefit from having toothpicks. On top of this, toothpicks are not very expensive and so it would not cost THC much money. You can buy a pack of 360 toothpicks for about 3 dollars at Wal-Mart. We all know that buying in bulk costs less so it will actually save THC money to buy for a campus full of students.

Ultimately, I believe that toothpicks are necessary for us here on the campus. We need to clean our teeth after meals and if we have mints we should have a method to clean our teeth as well. It won't cost them much to provide it for us and everyone, no matter what they eat, requires toothpicks. No one wants to pick their teeth with their fingers and what other option do we have to clean our teeth? Should we go brush them after every single meal? I find that idea a little preposterous.

Humans of Hampden-Sydney

Kireh Wright '19
Guest Writer

Sam Melson '18
Psychology and History Double
Major, Rhetoric Minor

When I first came here, I dreamed of being a politician, specifically a senator of Ohio-- I mean, you can count on one hand the number of elections won by either of the major parties without the support of Ohio. There's a lot of flexibility in the position; however, I realize now that I want to end up back here: I want to be a professor. The idea of being a college professor and teaching people is great. I could tell a kid something that makes him rethink his life. It's amazing. While I've been here, I've heard a lot of kids say "I'm

gonna be an economics major because that's where the money is, or I'm going to major in bio and/or chem because that's where the money is." One of them came back to me explaining that he was looking into a philosophy major because that's what he wants to do, if it's financially stable. People change their lives because of the things they hear from mentors, and that's amazing! I also chose being a college professor over perhaps an elementary or middle school position because I don't like the more convenient narratives that we tell kids. Sometimes, my sister will ask me questions about things and I'd rather just have her wait until she was older. When someone has questions and is of reasonable capacity to understand the answer, there is no reason to not tell them.



Melson. Photo Credit: Kireh Wright

Bored in Farmville? Try Getting off Campus!

Jacob Mitchell '19
Guest Writer

1. For the fisherman, Briery Creek Lake offers great fishing opportunities only seven miles from campus. Consisting of 845 acres, the small lake is owned and maintained by the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (VDGIF). The lake opened in 1989 after completion of a dam. The timber was left in the area that was flooded; this has greatly helped the local fish habitat. The lake now has several trophy largemouth bass. According to VDGIF, Briery Creek Lake is "one of the state's premier bass fisheries." Last month, the water level was lowered to promote more vegetation growth along the shoreline. It will be increased in the spring. There is a five-fish-per-day bag limit, and only one can be over 24 inches. Of course, a valid Virginia fishing license or Daily Access Permit is required. Directions from the College: From College Road turn right

onto Route 15. After 5 miles, turn right onto County Road 701. Briery Creek Lake is at the end. For more information, or to purchase an Access Permit, go to www.dgif.virginia.gov.

2. For the history buff or anyone wanting to know more about the Confederacy, The Museum of the Confederacy in Appomattox offers a plethora of information and artifacts from the Civil War period. It is open 10a.m. to 6p.m. daily and the cost is \$10. The museum's permanent exhibit covers the entire span of the Civil War, from secession to the surrender at Appomattox. Some interesting artifacts on display include General Robert E. Lee's sword and uniform and J. E. B. Stuart's famous plumed hat. Another exhibit is entitled, "Colors of the Gray: Consecration and Controversy," which covers the history of the Confederate Flag. There are several other exhibits as well. Often, a Civil War interpreter is on hand demonstrating the life of a Confederate soldier. The gift shop has some interesting items. The Museum of the Confederacy is about 25 miles from H-SC. Drive west down 460,

then get on Route 24 East. The museum is located at 159 Horseshoe Rd. in Appomattox. It is interesting to note that the museum is just a few short miles from Appomattox Court House National Historical Park, the location where Lee surrendered to Grant.

3. Fun for almost anyone, Holliday Lake State Park (yes, it is spelled with two l's) offers many recreational activities. Located within the Appomattox-Buckingham State Forest, the relatively small lake was formed in the 1930s by the federal government's Re-settlement Administration. The lake offers decent fishing. Crappie, bass, and bluegill are prominent. Eight hiking trails are very close; one runs around the entire lake. The park offers campgrounds. The shelters make for a great place to picnic. Kayaks, jon-boats, paddleboats, and paddleboards are available for rent. The beach, swimming area, and concessions are open to swimmers Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day Weekend. About 25 miles from the College, Holliday Lake State Park is located at 2759 State Park Rd. in Appomattox.



Chuck Ironmonger
Fire Safety Supervisor

Another year on The Hill is off to a great start! It is always exciting when our students arrive and campus is buzzing with activity!

I wanted to take this opportunity to share some information about fire safety on our campus as it relates to student living areas. The administration approved a few changes which are now in effect.

First, I would like for you to know that most every fire safety rule found in The Key reflects The Virginia State-wide Fire Prevention Code. The fire code is developed over time and is the result of events that have repeatedly caused the loss of life and property. The Administration of our college and the Fire Safety Department are responsible for helping the State Fire Marshal ensure compliance within all student living areas to help prevent the loss of life and property or injury

from fire. 170 college students have lost their lives from fire in student housing since 2000. Even though we think it will not happen to us, it can...

Life and death is a serious topic. John Shelton and I take our responsibility to help educate and protect you, our students, from the ravages caused by fire very seriously. We maintain and inspect all fire protection systems on campus to insure they are code compliant and working properly at all times. We perform internal, college-mandated inspections of all student living areas as well as accompany the State Fire Marshal who also inspects student living areas. But as hard as we try, we are not able to maintain a fire safe environment without the cooperation of our students.

All fire safety rules, room inspection procedures and policy, appeals information, etc. are made available to you in several locations and formats. You have to take the time to read the information made available to you to be safe and, frankly, to avoid potential

finer. We have a very comprehensive fire safety website available by going to "Quick Links" on the H-SC homepage and dropping down to Fire Safety. There you can find several links that range from "Fire Safety Rules All Students Must Know" to YouTube clips of Mock Student Room Burn Demonstrations, including the latest demonstration performed on September 7th. There is a video of the Station Nightclub fire that killed over 100 people. There is also a short online fire safety quiz that, if you complete correctly, a 2'x3' poster frame will be delivered to your room!

John and I are a resource for you; we will perform courtesy inspections of your room, answer questions via email or phone, or arrange to meet you in person anywhere on campus at any time in order to accommodate your schedule, so **please**, reach out to us if you have questions. Your best friend may mean well, but he may not convey the information to you correctly. To obtain

the purest truth, go to the source...

A few changes that have been put in place this year include a much stricter policy regarding traditional candles (which have always been prohibited). If a traditional candle is discovered in a student living area, the candle will be taken to the HSC Police Department and stored until the end of the year at which time it can be claimed. The student who owns the candle will be assessed a \$100.00 fine. Candle warmers are allowed and battery powered candles are allowed. There are some very nice and realistic battery-powered candles manufactured today which are scented, made from wax, and come with a remote control if you want to impress that special someone!

Open fire pits and bon-fires are not allowed. Self-contained, manufactured fire pits no larger than 3' in diameter are allowed if used responsibly and are located 25' from any structure and flammable material.

Smoking inside is not allowed, and this year, vaping or electronic

cigarettes are included in the prohibition due to their ability to activate the fire alarm systems. This is just a brief overview of the fire safety program here at Hampden-Sydney College.

I want to leave you with a final thought and suggested practice, which not only is appropriate to use in case of fire, but for any emergency that may arise, whether you are on campus or visiting another college, a restaurant, tavern, movie theater or home. **Know two ways out!** When you arrive, scan your environment for an alternative exit. It is human nature to try to exit the way you came in, but that may not be your best option and you do not want to lose precious moments searching for another option in the middle of an emergency.

I encourage you to visit our web site. Remember that John and I are here to serve you and that our desire is that your time spent at Hampden-Sydney is enjoyable, productive and that you leave here as healthy as when you arrived!

Dr. Howard Interview Continued

in that sweet spot. It's a little bit like romance, and getting married or engaged: you don't exactly know how it's going to work out, although you have a general plan. So the specifics of when it would be in that time were just known only to God [laughs] . . . So I was in a window that I kind of agreed to with my wife and my family, and a window that I kind of agreed to with the board, and this opportunity looked like one that made sense to me, and so that's kind of how it shook out. It's not as concerted as perhaps people think.

D: Why Robert Morris . . . ?

H: Fair question . . . I thought that I would probably stay in higher education—I've had some offers [for positions] outside of higher education—at a place that is a little more urban, a little larger, because I love the touch of what we do here . . . I wanted to go to a place with a bit more skill and scope as I grow my leadership chops . . . with all respect to this one and what it brings to the table, and the uniqueness of Hampden-Sydney . . . I kind of grew up with mostly military people and corporate people—kind

of go from one end of the platoon to running a company, to running a battalion, to running a flight, the squadron, the wing, to a Numbered Air Force. One's not better than the other, it's just different, and that's the kind of different that I kind of anticipated and wanted, and this one kind of lined up. I'm not from Pittsburgh—in fact it's kind of funny being a Dallas Cowboys fan, it was a pretty big deal for them to take that leap of faith—but it is an institution that kind of represents some of the things that I'm kind of interested in as I go to my next phase in my life as a leader in higher education.

D: Coming back to Hampden-Sydney, how would you describe your seven years here? Definitely a lot has changed since 2009.

H: Yeah, yeah, on a lot of different levels. I would say at the macro level, higher education is very different . . . Me personally, I loved my time here. It's a bit like a marriage: When you love somebody and you marry them, you have great times together; you have not so great times together. And I have experienced the highs and lows of

the presidency, but I can tell you, I love this gal [laughs]. Love her to death. And most of the times she's loved me back. I would say it's been one of the most extreme honors in my entire life to say that I'm the 24th president of this College. [Chuckles], even when times have gotten rocky, my faith in the mission and in the men and the institution, the faculty, the staff, the alumni, the friends of, never waver. Not once. So that's where my head is.

D: You're going from an all-male institution to a co-ed institution. What do you expect out of this change?

H: I think at the core, colleges and universities try to do a couple things: they try to help young men and women understand themselves, understand the world around them, and understand their place in the world, and what they're going to do in it . . . I have found one of the funnest parts of being the president of Hampden-Sydney is that . . . the leaders of co-ed institutions call me and write me, and ask me, How do we do so well with our men? . . . And I think part of it is that we are, of course—being a liberal arts college for men—unafraid to think about the role of gender and

ensuring that you get a great education. I will take that to my next institution . . . So, in many ways, I kind of got a leg up, to the point of understanding how men are educated, being around it so closely. But I've also had some great conversations with people that really focus on educating women. . . and so I feel like I probably have a unique insight, but at the end of the day it's not going to ever prejudice one against the other. It's just that I've got, like the movie *Taken*, "I've got a particular set of skills," [laughs] as Liam Neeson said, that I think will be useful for working with men and women at Robert Morris.

D: What will you be doing until February?

H: Working my behind off to be helping us reach our goals and our milestones here at Hampden-Sydney . . . I also want to make sure I do a smooth transition to Dennis Stevens . . . I have the utmost respect and confidence in him, and I want to make sure that he has what he needs so that when he steps in this office until whenever the search is done he does well . . . Now interesting enough, in some ways it is a little bit like being

in office and running for another. I do get a fair amount of stuff from Robert Morris University, which is to be expected . . . but I've been telling my senior cabinet that that there's an old *Monty Python* movie, *the Holy Grail*. . . There's this one scene where they're throwing all the dead on this little wheel cart . . . and this one guy goes "I'm not dead yet!" That's my motto: I'm not dead yet! I'm still here. I'm still alive and kicking, and bleeding Garnet and Gray. I have a sneaking suspicion that I'll be bleeding Garnet and Gray well after [chuckles] I go forward.

D: Is there anything else you'd like to say to the students?

H: I love you guys. I care deeply about your success, and I wish you nothing but greatness. Never forget, when a Hampden-Sydney man chooses to do the right thing, he can change the world. He really can. I've seen it happen lots of times. So I just encourage you all to use good judgment, "dare mighty things" as Teddy Roosevelt said, and I would say have a good time, but Hampden-Sydney guys kind of figure out how to have a good time [laughs]. And if you're up in Pittsburgh, I'll leave the light on for you.



Tiger Reviews

Black Mass

★★★★☆

It takes some real skill to direct a movie, and Hampden-Sydney graduate Scott Cooper '92' definitely has it. In his third directional film, *Black Mass*, Cooper tells the true story of the infamous gangster James "Whitey" Bulger. Starring Johnny Depp as Bulger, the film is a dark, uneasy look into the life of a psychopath. Depp has always been praised for his work as an actor, and he certainly doesn't disappoint in this film. His portrayal of Whitey Bulger is phenomenal. He truly delivers a performance that shows what a cold-blooded, calculating killer Whitey was. The movie chronicles Whitey's life as the leader of the Winter Hill Gang, and his role as an informant for the F.B.I. In return for his services, the F.B.I promises not to hold Whitey accountable for his own crimes, but under one condition: he cannot kill anyone. However, to a sociopath like Whitey this means nothing. Throughout the film, Whitey murders anyone who has betrayed him

or might do so in the future. He is merciless, and shows no remorse for any of his crimes. All the while, he provides F.B.I agent and old friend John Connelly information about other gangs in Boston. Just when it seems that Whitey may be truly untouchable, his twisted world crumbles. John Morris, a friend and colleague of John Connelly, who knew about the collaboration between Whitney and Connelly, reports what he knows to the head of the bureau. With his secret now revealed, Whitey goes into hiding, and remains a fugitive for sixteen years. In 2011, thanks to an anonymous tip, James Bulger was finally arrested and charged with first degree murder (19 counts), racketeering, extortion, etc. He was subsequently sentenced to two consecutive life terms in prison—a fitting end for a truly despicable man. Scott Cooper has outdone himself with this film. He tells the true story of Whitey, and doesn't hold anything back. The film itself is a macabre reminder of the evil that is in the world, and just how cold a person can really be.

—Drew Dickerson '17

BASED ON THE BOOK

BLACK MASS

THE UNHOLY ALLIANCE BETWEEN THE FBI AND WHITEY BULGER,
ONE OF THE MOST NOTORIOUS GANGSTERS IN U.S. HISTORY



Destiny DLC: The Taken King Bungie

★★★★★

Normally I wouldn't review a DLC (downloadable content) of a video game that I already reviewed before. But *The Taken King* is different; it is essentially *Destiny 2.0* and changes

almost everything about the game.

Besides the normal addition of new items and a higher level cap for players, *The Taken King* changes how players level up as well. When *Destiny* first released characters would cease leveling at a certain point and were only able to level up further with better gear equipped to the character, using a unit called "Light". Now, leveling is much simpler and proceeds as normal with a higher level cap (at level 40, as opposed to level 20) and

"Light" has become an easier way to gauge how powerful your character is, as well as whether or not you can run through certain missions

A common criticism of *Destiny* was the voice acting of Peter Dinklage. Well, due to scheduling conflicts Bungie got acclaimed voice actor Nolan North, famous for his portrayal as Nathan Drake in the *Uncharted* series, to voice the Ghost. Finally, one of the biggest complaints about the original *Destiny* was a lack of sto-

rytelling in what could have been a rich world. *Taken King* makes story a priority with over twice as many cinematic scenes as the original, most of which are dominated by a character from the original Cayde-6 who is voiced by the always entertaining Nathan Fillion (*Castle*, *Firefly*). The missions are among the best the entire game has to offer and the new cooperative Strikes added are immensely better than the original Strikes.

In the end I don't have many criti-

cisms for *The Taken King*; as someone who enjoyed *Destiny* but didn't necessarily fall in love with the game (Editor's Note: Joe gave *Destiny* five stars last year) I can safely say that *The Taken King* fixes most of the problems that people had with the original game, while staying true to what the game is. *Destiny* is proving itself to be a game with a long life span if expansions continue to change and improve the game as much as *The Taken King* has.

—Joe Lantagne '16

What a Time to Be Alive Drake & Future

★★★★☆

A Drake and Future mixtape just makes sense. After Future featured Drake on "Where Ya At," one of the best tracks on *Dirty Sprite 2* and the only feature on the album, it was clear that the pair had chemistry. After all, there is little doubt that Drake and Future are two of today's most popular rappers. After an anxious period where rumors flooded social media of a possible Drake

and Future collaboration, the project dropped on Drake's OVO Sound Radio before it was released on iTunes.

As highly anticipated as this project was, it would be difficult to say that it lives up to the hype. If you are a Drake fan or a Future fan, you know what to expect from this project. This is the Future of *Dirty Sprite 2*, and fans of Future will most likely enjoy his contribution on this mixtape. After all, Future does have the most airtime in quite a few songs, if not most, on this album. Drake, however, did surprise me on this record,

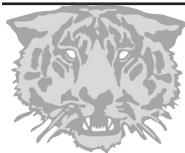
and not always in a positive way. This is "Back to Back" Drake, and he lacks much of the introspection that makes previous albums like *Take Care* enjoyable. My favorite part of this project has to be the production. Metro Boomin handles a large part of the production, and I think this album continues to prove that he is one of the best producers in the game right now. I believe he's even shown improvement from *Dirty Sprite 2*, and songs like "Diamonds Dancing" shows that he knows how to slow things down.

Even with those criticisms in

mind, this is an enjoyable listen. "Digital Dash" is a Future-dominated track that is definitely going to be a highlight for Future fans, "Big Rings" and "Plastic Bag" feature infectious choruses by Drake that carry those tracks. "Diamonds Dancing" is probably my favorite song on the album, with both Drake and Future singing. Another nice addition to this project is that Future is a little more introspective than he was on *Dirty Sprite 2*. I think he's found a nice balance between his highly successful stream of mixtapes (*56 Nights* and *Monster*)

and the extremely hedonistic *Dirty Sprite 2* which lacked a variety of subjects and range of emotion that was featured on those mixtapes. If you're missing the Drake from *Take Care*, then the last track on the album, "30 for 30 Freestyle" will remind you why you are a Drake fan to begin with and why Drake is one of the best in the rap game right now. This is Drake and Future on top of the rap game, and if you're a rap fan then this project demands a listen. For Drake and Future, it really is the best time to be alive.

—Johnathan Campbell '16



Quinn Sipes '19
Guest Writer

The year was 1965: America had just entered the Vietnam War under the orders of President Lyndon B. Johnson, Martin Luther King Jr. led a protest march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, and NASA was launching the Gemini Missions into the Final Frontier. America was making international history in 1965, and so was H-SC. On September 24, 1965, *The Hampden-Sydney Tiger* reported that Dr. Walters, associate professor of Bible and Philosophy, and student Alan Eliot found an ancient skeleton in the Middle East. Below is the article (minus the introduction) that made the front page of the September 24, 1965 issue of *The Hampden-Sydney Tiger*:

Dr. Walters Tours Asia Finds Ancient Skeleton (by Dr. Carl Walters, as Told to Bill Smith)

The program on which I went was the Negev Archaeological Semi-

nar; it is operated under the auspices of the Institute for Mediterranean Studies. It is sponsored by a number of institutes of higher education, colleges, and seminaries. Alan Eliot, one of my students, went with me. We left from New York on July the ninth and flew directly to Tel Aviv, Israel.

The program is concerned with the history of Palestine, illustrated through archaeology, and the results of archaeology which are pertinent to the study of the Bible. The program had three parts: archaeology, and Biblical history, Palestinian history, and Hebrew language. There were about twelve professors and on the average three students per professor. We went directly to our archaeological field work which took place at a site called Arad, which is in the south of the state of Israel about twenty five miles east of Beersheba towards the Dead Sea. We dug there for two weeks. We were working primarily in an early Canaanite city. It is dated as an early Bronze Age city, about 2800 B.C. It covers twenty-five acres encir-

cled by a wall a kilometer long and approximately 2.5 meters thick in which there are set three semicircular towers. This whole twenty-five acres was surveyed and divided off into rectangular squares. Each square was numbered and given several buckets: as you dig in your square, you put everything you find into the bucket which is numbered according to the square and according to the level, or stratum, at which you are digging. Now, it is a very precise science, everything is very carefully labeled and organized.

We were housed in a little hotel about six miles from the site in a new frontier city called Arad. The climate is very good for asthmatics and people who have sinus trouble--- I felt great the whole time I was over there. We stayed in a complex built for the workers who originally broke the ground for this city about five years ago.

It was very hot, and it was also very dry: you didn't notice the heat too much, in fact you had to remind yourself about drinking water so that you would not become dehydrated.

You very seldom felt the need for water. Through courses, we learned a lot of archaeology. As you get down under the surface, you begin to use a small handpick called a 'patish' and you dig very slowly and carefully. If you find something, you leave it and call one of the archaeological foremen. As you uncover, you move from the patish to an ice pick, going very slowly until you disclose the object. Everything you find is photographed 'in-site' and then only are you allowed to take it out and put it in the bucket.

We found some interesting things. I had beginner's luck. I was placed in locus which had already been dug down a couple of feet. I had to take it forward a couple of feet, and then down about four more feet. One day I came upon some evidence of fire. I found what appeared to be a floor and I was encircled by walls so I was probably in a room. I began to find traces of what looked like rib-bones and then I found vertebrae. There was a young Dutch man working with me; he had been out there about three weeks. I asked him what he thought and he said they were animal vertebrae and to take them out. I took a few out, but then I began to work up the line of the vertebrae and as I brushed away the dirt, I found a skull. It turned out to be a human skeleton, and it just so happened that this was the first hu-

man skeleton found at this site. After it was all over, we were able to date this skeleton because of the fact that his legs went under a wall, the foundation of which was dated about 2800 B.C. They are fairly certain that this is an early Bronze Age man. It was a very exciting find, ultimately the skeleton was removed with a great block of dirt under it and taken to the museum in Jerusalem, and there, they'll put everything back together and display him.

We stayed there two more weeks and then travelled to the southern part of Israel, and made our way to port of Haifa. From Haifa we went to Cyprus, and ultimately to Lebanon, Syria, and Jordan. These are Arab countries, and you cannot go from Israel into Arab countries directly.

After that we travelled again in Israel. Of particular interest, because of its beauty, was Galilee. On September first we left Israel and went to Athens for four days, then we caught the plane home.

One interesting thing about the trip home was we left Athens Saturday morning about 11:00 and we got to New York that same afternoon about 5:15. The only difference was it was about six hours later; to us it was 11:15 at night and we'd never seen any darkness. We'd been coming with the sun all the way.



A Blast from the Past: September, 1965

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plight. It sounds like you are already doing one of the basics: contacting with loved ones at regular intervals. Homesickness should fade with time, but there are a few things you can do to facilitate a better adjustment:

1. Get involved on campus! Join as many clubs and organizations that interest you, and then start paring down to the ones you like the most. It's hard to miss home if you are concerned about what's happening here on The Hill.

2. Exercise! Regular exercise is surprisingly effective at altering your moods, and combats homesickness on a biological level. It also helps structure your life and give you a sense of control.

3. Find *uplifting* friends, and spend time with them! Take a page from T-Swift and develop a squad. Find people who build you up, and avoid those who are negative influences. Once you find good people (you will!), friendships will grow naturally. In addition, just remember the new friend you are looking for may be behind a closed dormitory door.

Q: "With a new presiden-

tial search underway, what qualities do you think H-SC should look for in a new president?"

A: As with any good leader, our next president should be a person of strong character and great vision. With respect to his character, our next president must have integrity and compassion. He should have a long history of being forthright and honest in his dealings with everyone, even when that makes him unpopular. In regards to his vision for the college, we think it would be preferable that the new president has some experience in academia as a faculty member. Also, we hope that he will be interested in providing healthy social spaces and outlets for students of all interests. Lastly, we need a president who is not afraid to be creative or different, and who will model the integrity and honor Hampden-Sydney attempts to bestow upon its young men.

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Student Center Continued

cation offices, and the Tiger Inn will be moving there as well. The Student Center will also have an upper and bottom entrance, so students can go through it to get to and from classes.

The demolition of Eggleston is planned for late December or January and will take about six weeks. The following eighteen months will be spent building the Student Center from the ground up. Once completed, the College intends to set up a large living room-like area with a chimney and fireplace on both sides on the first floor. The second, or ground, floor will have the post office, Career Education, and multiple rooms, to be used by clubs and doubling as study rooms as well. The top floor will serve as the offices for Blake A and the student executive positions.

It is worth noting that the current plan for how each floor is set up is tentative at the moment and that at this point, mainly the sophomores and freshmen will eventually enjoy the benefits of a student center.

Wellness Center Changes Continued

Steven Carter, Hampden-Sydney's resident counselor, Heather Hammock, is available during the school week; interested students can contact Adrienne Traylor, the Counseling Center's secretary, at 434-223-6411.

With the improved and greatly expanded space, the Counseling Center offers its old services much more effectively—appointments with Ms. Hammock, mental health public outreach, and, perhaps most significantly of all, a safe and inclusive space for all Hampden-Sydney students where genuine advice can be given. *That,*

perhaps, is what is most notable about this new Counseling Center: it is full of people who genuinely care, and have a legitimate interest in preserving the dignity and wellbeing of the students it serves. Of course, the counseling staff has always had this desire, but now it better has the space to succeed. It is today a nexus of different services, and very much a place where many different threads from across campus are wound together in one place. "That's what I really hope to do," Jones told me. "We're really looking at ways we can meet people where they are."



TIGER SPORTS

Tigers Pummel Ferrum, Prepare for ODAC Marathon

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Sports Writer

The Hampden-Sydney football team battled the Ferrum Panthers on the road and came away with a big win, 55-24, on September 19. That is the big highlight from the past two weeks since the team had a bye on September 26. Now that the opening non-conference games are in the mirror, the players and coaches can focus on the season's big challenge: seven consecutive weeks of conference play in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference, the first of which will be at home this Saturday.

The Tigers traveled to Rocky Mount, Virginia to face the Ferrum Panthers, which was a beneficial game for H-SC. The opening quarter belonged to the Tigers as they put up points first thanks to a 30 yard touchdown pass from junior quarterback Edgar Moore (Tallahassee, FL) to sophomore receiver Cam Johnson (Dillwyn, VA). However, Ferrum responded with a 26 yard field goal to cut the HSC lead to 4 points. Nonetheless, Moore followed up by delivering a booming 75 yard pass to Johnson for the second Tiger touchdown of the day, although the extra point was no good. The Panthers responded with a touchdown of their own to cut the lead to three points heading into the second quarter.

Once the second quarter began, HSC did not loosen the reins on the high-octane offense. Freshman running back Kyree Koonce (Charlottesville, VA) ran the ball 53 yards for a touchdown, making the score 20-10. On the next Tiger possession, Moore threw a 17 yard touchdown to senior Austin Perryman (Fairfax, VA), tacking seven more points to the Tiger lead. Later on in the quarter, Koonce ran the ball in for

another touchdown, this time for 23 yards. Ferrum did offer up a response touchdown by the end of the quarter to make the halftime score 34-17.

H-SC owned the third quarter with two additional touchdowns. The first one of the quarter was a 53 yard pass from Moore to Koonce. The second touchdown of the quarter was another Edgar Moore pass, this time to senior receiver Michael Mey (Glen Allen, VA). At this point, the Tigers held a 48-17 lead.

The final quarter did not offer much action, but Ferrum did muster up a touchdown to cut into the Tigers' lead. However, H-SC sealed the victory with the final touchdown of the day thanks to a 9 yard rush from sophomore tailback Mike DeMassi (Virginia Beach, VA), making the final score 55-24.

The Tiger offense had another good day thanks to a sound performance from Edgar Moore, who was 15-26, had 269 passing yards, and 5 touchdowns. Kyree Koonce led the ground attack with 10 rushes, 124 yards, 2 rushing touchdowns, and 1 receiving touchdown. Mike DeMassi managed to accumulate 46 yards on 5 rushes along with the final touchdown of the game. Cam Johnson led receivers in yardage with 106 yards and 2 receiving touchdowns while Michael Mey and Austin Perryman had 58 and 26 receiving yards, respectively, as well as one touchdown each. On the defensive side of the ball, the Tigers took care of Ferrum thanks to tackle leader senior Larry Haskins (Buckingham, VA) who had 11 total tackles. Senior Tyler Martin (Evington, VA) had 6 total tackles on the day. Overall, it was a good day for HSC, and the team entered the September 26 bye with a well-earned win.

The bye week gave the team to recover from three distinct games that tested them in all aspects. However, the players and coaches now turn their attention to the seven ODAC oppo-

nents that stand in their way of another conference championship. There will not be any guaranteed victories in the next seven weeks, so each game will be a challenge, no matter the caliber of the foe. The preseason poll placed the Guilford Quakers as the top team, with Bridgewater, Emory & Henry, and Hampden-Sydney all tied for second. Our next opponent, the Catholic University Cardinals, were placed 8th in the preseason ODAC poll, but the Cardinals will not be an easy foe. Catholic is coming off of a victory over the Coast Guard Academy two weeks ago, yet they had their bye week last week, as well.

While both Hampden-Sydney and Catholic are moving on from their byes, it should be interesting to see how the game plays out on Saturday. Coach Marty Favret and the Tigers will take on the Cardinals at Everett Stadium on Saturday, October 3, with a 1pm kickoff.

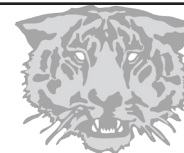


Sophomore receiver Cam Johnson, shown here making a leaping grab against Wabash, was the top receiver against Ferrum College. Photo Credit: H-SC Athletics

Family Weekend Sporting Events

Cross Country	9 a.m.	Family Weekend 5k
Football	1 p.m.	Catholic
Soccer	4 p.m.	Emory & Henry
Club Rugby	3 p.m.	Lord Fairfax CC

TIGER SPORTS



Late Goals Plague H-SC Soccer as ODAC Slate Begins

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Sports Editor

Hampden-Sydney Soccer got off to a flying start in 2015, with both wins and goals aplenty. However, the team has started to come back down to earth as they enter the thick of ODAC play and the calendar changes to October. After an opening 2-0 win over ODAC opponent Shenandoah, consecutive losses at Randolph and against Guilford suddenly have the Tigers looking slightly more vulnerable.

H-SC opened ODAC play on September 19th with a 2-0 home victory over Shenandoah. After a few good-looking passing moves in the opening minutes, the Tigers finally struck in the 29th minute. Junior forward Robert Kerby (Hampton, VA) beat a defender to the end line and whipped in a cross that found the head of junior forward Liam Hogan (Haymarket, VA), who fired it into the back of net.

H-SC kept the pressure on in the second half, and they were rewarded in the 56th minute. A pass was unsuccessfully controlled by a Shenandoah defender, and the ball bounced directly to the feet of freshman midfielder Hunter Weiland (Raleigh, NC), who fired into the corner to make it 2-0.

Shenandoah never managed a threatening scoring chance the rest of the way, as the Tigers' defending sealed the win. Junior goalkeeper Cameron McFarlane (Norwich, CT) made seven saves on the way to his third clean sheet of the season, moving into third place on the H-SC career record with 15.

The Tigers then traveled to Randolph College for their first ODAC road contest. A high-scoring affair went in favor of the hosts, 3-2. H-SC struck first in the 12th minute, when sophomore forward Ryan Turner (Raleigh, NC) fizzed the ball across goal to senior midfielder Costin Gregory (Raleigh, NC), who knocked it into the right side of the net.

Randolph found the equalizer

less than two minutes later, one of the nine shots they lined up in the first half. The Tigers appeared to regain the advantage early in the second half, but a deflected cross fell in favor of the hosts for a 2-1 lead.

H-SC tied the game in the 77th minute, when a pass from Hunter Weiland was finished off by Liam Hogan. However, the Tigers committed a foul in the box in the 79th minute, and the converted penalty kick gave Randolph a 3-2 lead.

Minutes before full time Ryan Turner ran the ball down and escaped his defender, but his shot rolled just wide of the net, and H-SC was defeated.

The Tigers returned home to face Guilford, a match that was played in heavy rain and wind throughout. A 2-1 loss gave H-SC their second consecutive ODAC defeat. The Tigers again struck early, when Liam Hogan found the back of the net in just the 5th minute.

Guilford answered late in the first half, when a heavy attack resulted in a blocked shot apparently hitting the arm of an H-SC defender. The Quakers converted the ensuing penalty in the 35th minute to tie the match.

The two sides engaged in a cagey battle for much of the second half, but another unfortunate break came for the Tigers in 79th minute. A Guilford shot again hit an H-SC defender on the arm, this time with the defender lying on the ground. The questionable penalty kick was converted as the Quakers sealed a 2-1 win. Liam Hogan scored in his fourth consecutive game, while Cameron McFarlane made five saves on the night.

After a bright start the season, the opening of ODAC play has been slightly dimmer for Hampden-Sydney. A pair of disappointing and controversial defeats gives the Tigers a 5-3 overall record, with a 1-2 conference mark. H-SC's 3 points in the ODAC have them sitting four points off the leaders Randolph, who have earned 7 points. After a midweek home match against Lynchburg, the

Tigers will return to action on Saturday, October 3rd when they face

Emory and Henry as a part of the Family Weekend festivities. Kickoff

for the match, which will be played on Miller Field, is set for 4 PM



Junior forward Liam Hogan, who has scored in four straight games, controls the ball vs. Guilford. Photo Credit: H-SC Athletics

Club Rugby Looks to the Future

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Guest Writer

The Hampden-Sydney Rugby Football Club needs to build a new foundation this year. Many of the team's returning starters have graduated and a large portion of this year's team are freshmen. The remaining members have some big shoes to fill. In recent years, the rugby club has consistently been a top qualifier in the Cardinals Collegiate Rugby Conference.

This year, the team started their season with an amazing 43-19 vic-

tory over the Lynchburg Hornets on Saturday, September 12. They started the scoring early; in the second minute of the game, Mike Bouldin scored the team the first points of their 2015-16 season. A majority of the points were scored in the first half while the second half was played with a more conservative strategy.

In a more recent game on Saturday, September 26, Hampden-Sydney lost to the Christopher Newport Captains 50-12. At first glance, the game appears to be a commendable loss. However, the game took place during a very heavy downpour. Ben Lam, a tighthead prop who has been

playing for three years, explained that unlike other sports, "there are almost no breaks in rugby, so there is no time to dry the ball." A wet ball is much harder to handle than a dry ball, especially for the newer members, whereas Christopher Newport's rugby team is well established and is experienced in wet conditions. This game has granted our players valuable experience that will assist them in carrying on the Hampden-Sydney rugby legacy.

As part of the Family Weekend festivities, the team will put that experience to the test at home against Lord Fairfax Community College at 3pm this Saturday, October 3rd.